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## 15A-3-104 Amendments to Chapters 7 through 9 of IBC.

- (1) IBC, Section (F)901.8, is deleted and replaced with the following: "(F)901.8 Pump and riser room size. Fire pump and automatic sprinkler system riser rooms shall be designed with adequate space for all installed equipment necessary for the installation and to provide sufficient working space around the stationary equipment. Clearances around equipment shall be in accordance with manufacturer requirements and not less than the following minimum elements:
  - 901.8.1 A minimum clear and unobstructed distance of 12-inches shall be provided from the installed equipment to the elements of permanent construction.
  - 901.8.2 A minimum clear and unobstructed distance of 12-inches shall be provided between all other installed equipment and appliances.
  - 901.8.3 A clear and unobstructed width of 36-inches shall be provided in front of all installed equipment and appliances, to allow for inspection, service, repair or replacement without removing such elements of permanent construction or disabling the function of a required fire-resistance-rated assembly.
  - 901.8.4 Automatic sprinkler system riser rooms shall be provided with a clear and unobstructed passageway to the riser room of not less than 36-inches, and openings into the room shall be clear and unobstructed, with doors swinging in the outward direction from the room and the opening providing a clear width of not less than 34-inches and a clear height of the door opening shall not be less than 80-inches.
  - 901.8.5 Fire pump rooms shall be provided with a clear and unobstructed passageway to the fire pump room of not less than 72-inches, and openings into the room shall be clear, unobstructed and large enough to allow for the removal of the largest piece of equipment, with doors swinging in the outward direction from the room and the opening providing a clear width of not less than 68-inches and a clear height of the door opening shall not be less than 80-inches."
- (2) In IBC, Section (F)903.2.2, the words "the entire floor" are deleted and replaced with "a building" and the last paragraph is deleted.
- (3) IBC, Section (F)903.2.4, condition 2, is deleted and replaced with the following: "2. A Group F-1 fire area is located more than three stories above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access."
- (4) IBC, Section (F)903.2.7, condition 2, is deleted and replaced with the following: "2. A Group M fire area is located more than three stories above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access."
- (5) IBC, Sections (F)903.2.8, (F)903.2.8.1, (F)903.2.8.2, and (F)903.2.8.4, are deleted and replaced with the following: "(F)903.2.8 Group R. An automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3 shall be provided throughout all buildings with a Group R fire area.

## **Exceptions:**

- Detached one- and two-family dwellings and multiple single-family dwellings (townhouses) constructed in accordance with the International Residential Code For One- and Two-Family Dwellings.
- 2. Single story Group R-1 occupancies with fire areas not more than 2,000 square feet that contain no installed plumbing or heating, where no cooking occurs, and constructed of Type I-A, I-B, II-A, or II-B construction."
- (6) IBC, Sections (F)903.2.8.3 and (F)903.2.8.3.1, are renumbered to (F)903.2.8.1 and (F)903.2.8.1.1.

- (7) IBC, Section (F)903.2.8.3.2, is renumbered to (F)903.2.8.1.2 and the following exception is added:
  - "Exception: Group R-4 fire areas not more than 4,500 gross square feet and not containing more than 16 residents, provided the building is equipped throughout with an approved fire alarm system that is interconnected and receives its primary power from the building wiring and a commercial power system."
- (8) IBC, Section (F)903.2.8.4, is deleted.
- (9) IBC, Section (F)903.2.9, condition 2, is deleted and replaced with the following: "2. A Group S-1 fire area is located more than three stories above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access."
- (10) IBC, Section (F)904.12, is deleted and replaced with the following: " (F)904.12 Commercial cooking systems. The automatic fire-extinguishing system for commercial cooking systems shall be of a type recognized for protection of commercial cooking equipment and exhaust systems. Pre-engineered automatic extinguishing systems shall be tested in accordance with UL 300 and listed and labeled for the intended application. The system shall be installed in accordance with this code, its listing and the manufacturer's installation instructions. Exception: Factory-built commercial cooking recirculating systems that are tested in accordance with UL 710B and listed, labeled, and installed in accordance with Section 304.1 of the International Mechanical Code."
- (11) IBC, Sections (F)904.12.3, (F)904.12.3.1, (F)904.12.4, and (F)904.12.4.1, are deleted.
- (12) In IBC, Section 905, a new subsection, Section (F)905.3.9, is added as follows: "Open Parking Garages. Open parking garages shall be equipped with an approved Class 1 manual standpipe system when fire department access is not provided for firefighting operations to within 150 feet of all portions of the open parking garage as measured from the approved fire department vehicle access. Class 1 manual standpipe shall be accessible throughout the parking garage such that all portions of the parking structure are protected within 150 feet of a hose connection."
- (13) In IBC, Section (F)905.8, the exception is deleted and replaced with the following: "Exception: Where subject to freezing and approved by the fire code official."
- (14) In IBC, Section (F)907.2.3 Group E, the first sentence is deleted and rewritten as follows: "A manual fire alarm system that activates the occupant notification system in accordance with Section (F)907.5 shall be installed, in accordance with Section (F)907.6 and administrative rules made by the State Fire Prevention Board in Group E occupancies."
- (15) IBC, Sections (F)915 through (F)915.6, are deleted and replaced with the following: "(F)915 Where required.
  - Group I-1, I-2, I-4, and R occupancies located in a building containing a fuel-burning appliance or in a building that has an attached garage shall be equipped with single-station carbon monoxide alarms. The carbon monoxide alarms shall be listed as complying with UL 2034 or UL 2075 and be installed and maintained in accordance with NFPA 720 and the manufacturer's instructions. An open parking garage, as defined in Chapter 2, or an enclosed parking garage, ventilated in accordance with Section 404 of the International Mechanical Code, shall not be considered an attached garage. A minimum of one carbon monoxide alarm shall be installed on each habitable level.
  - (F) 915.1 Interconnection.

Where more than one carbon monoxide alarm is required to be installed within Group I-1, I-2, I-4, or R occupancies, the carbon monoxide alarm shall be interconnected in such a manner that the activation of one alarm will activate all of the alarms. Physical interconnection of carbon monoxide alarms shall not be required where listed wireless alarms are installed and all

alarms sound upon activation of one alarm. The alarm shall be clearly audible in all bedrooms over background noise levels with all intervening doors closed.

(F) 915.2 Power source.

In new construction, required carbon monoxide alarms shall receive their primary power from the building wiring where such wiring is served from a commercial source and shall be equipped with a battery backup. Carbon monoxide alarms with integral strobes that are not equipped with a battery backup shall be connected to an emergency electrical system. Carbon monoxide alarms shall emit a signal when the batteries are low. Wiring shall be permanent and without a disconnecting switch other than as required for overcurrent protection. Exceptions.

- 1. Carbon monoxide alarms are not required to be equipped with a battery backup where they are connected to an emergency electrical system.
- 2. Hard wiring of carbon monoxide alarms in existing areas shall not be required where the alterations or repairs do not result in the removal of interior wall or ceiling finishes exposing the structure, unless there is an attic, crawl space, or basement available that could provide access for hard wiring without the removal of interior finishes.

(F) 915.3 Group E.

A carbon monoxide detection system shall be installed in new buildings that contain Group E occupancies in accordance with IFC, Chapter 9, Section 915. A carbon monoxide detection system shall be installed in existing buildings that contain Group E occupancies in accordance with IFC, Chapter 11, Section 1103.9.

(F) 915.3.1 Where required.

In Group E occupancies, a carbon monoxide detection system shall be provided where a fuel-burning appliance, a fuel-burning fireplace, or a fuel-burning forced air furnace is present. (F) 915.3.2 Detection equipment.

Each carbon monoxide detection system shall be installed in accordance with NFPA 720 and the manufacturer's instructions and be listed as complying with, for single station detectors, UL 2034 and, for system detectors, UL 2075.

(F) 915.3.3 Locations.

Each carbon monoxide detection system shall be installed in the locations specified in NFPA 720.

(F) 915.3.4 Combination detectors.

A combination carbon monoxide/smoke detector is an acceptable alternative to a carbon monoxide detection system if the combination carbon monoxide/smoke detector is listed in accordance with UL 2075 and UL 268.

(F) 915.3.5 Power source.

Each carbon monoxide detection system shall receive primary power from the building wiring if the wiring is served from a commercial source. If primary power is interrupted, each carbon monoxide detection system shall receive power from a battery. Wiring shall be permanent and without a disconnecting switch other than that required for overcurrent protection.

(F) 915.3.6 Maintenance.

Each carbon monoxide detection system shall be maintained in accordance with NFPA 720. A carbon monoxide detection system that becomes inoperable or begins to produce end of life signals shall be replaced."

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